

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 830

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to county sheriffs; amending 19 O.S. 2021, Section 516, which relates to duty and powers as peace officer; amending duties of the county sheriff; providing certain privileges and immunity; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 19 O.S. 2021, Section 516, is amended to read as follows:

Section 516. A. It shall be the duty of the sheriff, undersheriffs and deputies to keep and preserve the peace of their respective counties, ~~and~~ to quiet and suppress all affrays, riots and unlawful assemblies and insurrections, and protect the people of their county from infringements of the rights guaranteed to the people by the Constitutions of the United States and Oklahoma, for which purpose and for the service of process in civil and criminal cases, ~~and~~ in apprehending or securing any person for felony or breach of the peace, and for prohibiting agents, employees, and officers of the federal government from violating the rights of the

1 people of their county, they and every constable may call to their
2 aid such person or persons of their county or other citizens of this
3 state as they may deem necessary and organize them in such form
4 known as a posse or other designation for the performance of their
5 duties. During such times of service, those under such call shall
6 have all the privileges and immunities of the sheriff, undersheriff,
7 and deputies.

8 B. The sheriff, in addition to the duties pursuant to
9 subsection A of this section, shall coordinate and administer
10 courthouse security.

11 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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